

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR COUPLING CAPILLARY SEPARATION METHODS  
AND MASS SPECTROMETRY

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 7 April 2009, please consider the following:

**Amendments** to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **4** of this paper.